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Claytor and Shelton Named Miss and Mr. UTJC Carnicus Planned for March 2nd

According to present plans, Carnicus will begin with the crowning of the King and Queen of the Carnicus. Then there will be intramural team stunts by both girls and boys. Next there will be a review of the athletic program. The Physical Education program will consist of the boys demonstrating such games as touch football, volleyball, basketball, softball and handball, and the girls will demonstrate such games as hockey, badminton, archery, deck tennis, and softball.

Calesthenic drill will be featured by the men's physical education classes, and the girls will have one act of mass activity. The girls will also present tap dancing and folk dancing, and both boys and girls will demonstrate tumbling. The boys will also build pyramids. There will be clown stunts between all acts and the carnicus will end with a social dance.

The public, and all students from the University of Tennessee Jr. College and all other schools are cordially invited to attend this exercise. Much work has been exerted in preparing for Carnicus, and the entire student body is looking forward to a very excellent program.

The King and Queen of Carnicus are elected by the student body and no announcement as to who they are will be made before Carnicus, so all students look forward to Carnicus for this reason along with the expectation of an excellent program.

A narrator will keep the audience posted throughout the program as to the game that is being demonstrated and so on.

National Guard Presents Radio Program

To encourage enlistments in the National Guard, the local contingent on last Tuesday presented a program from the campus radio studio. Colonel James Corbitt was in charge of the program.

Men from 17 to 25 were urged to enlist in their local guard unit. Many advantages of the guard to a community were pointed out. Among those were the guard payroll, services rendered in emergency periods, and the use of construction equipment assigned to the local units.

The Blue Jackets Club is to present the program on Thursday. Mr. Barnette is to be in charge of the program.

Beauty Revue To Be Held At Leap Year Hop

An "old look" with a new theme will be beheld as the boys, clad in their "gay nineties" costumes glide across the stage in the beauty revue at the leap year hop. The dress worn by each contestant will represent a song of the "gay ninety" period.

Each club on the campus had been asked to select a boy to represent their club in this unique contest. So come on, boys, support your club's beauty, and who knows? your fella might win!

Training With The 105th

On March 1, 1948, all units of the 105th Engineer Combat Battalion will advance in their training to a so-called Interim Training Program prescribed by the War Department. This program covers two years of training, and its purpose is to have uniform training during the first two years following the organization of basic training of the unit.

Students Dance Amid Hundreds Of Hearts

One of the biggest events of the year took place Saturday night, February 14, when all the UTJC "local yokels," along with many outside guests, and their best girls turned out for the Valentine Dance at the college gym.

The gym, fittingly decorated in red and white streamers, hearts and cupid, furnished a beautiful background for the happy couples in gay array, the girls in their gay formals and the boys in their best bibs and tuckers.

That "best of all, Jimmy Small" and his orchestra gave out with some "queet all reet" music from 8 'til 12 to the great delight of the dancers.

Although the orchestra had its own very able vocalist, Jerry Williams, the UTJC-eans proved that they had some vocalists who could "warble" equally as well. The "Hit" and the "Miss" who created such great sensation were none other than our own Percy Young and Joy Kerby!!! This part of the floor show really "sent" everybody; but, they were quickly brought back to reality by a wonderful impersonation of that hill-billy character, "Minnie Pearl," given by Bill Crockett. Ann Carolyn Ralph's top numbers were just tops as she gave way to the "Memphis Blues."

Another big event of the evening was the jitterbug contest. Nevah saw so much rug cuttin' in all ouah lives befoah!!! Gladys Jones and Paul and "Darktown Strutters Ball" Williams received the prize, a large box of candy, for being the best jitterbuggers on the floor.

After having had a wonderful time, the starry-eyed, happy guests began leaving about 11:45 with the hope of attending the Valentine Dance again next year.

SCA Delegates Attend Annual State Convention

May Welch, Virginia Cude, Don March and Scruggs Hill attended the annual state Student Christian Association Convention at Nashville this weekend. The group left at noon Friday with Mr. Henson, sponsor of the SCA, and Mrs. Henson, making the trip in the school car.

Informal meetings were held during the time with round-table discussions and lectures from well-known people. These ideas should make for better SCA programs in the future.

The party returned Sunday afternoon after a weekend of entertainment and education. The greater part of the expenses was paid by the school.

Wolves After You? Learn to Spot Them Quickly!

Male wolves (the so-called human variety) can be spotted as far as you can see them if you are wise to the wolf technique.

The technique of wolves seldom differs. Youn gones use it by instinct and aren't necessarily aware that they are using a technique; older ones have perfected and given it polish and they know exactly what they are doing. Aside from that difference, the methods are the same. Their technique might be compared to that of the jujitsu artist who defeats his opponent by making him use his own strength against himself. A wolf keeps stepping back and letting the girl come forward, until, in her eagerness, she falls on her face—to put it politely.

ROOMMATE!

Who doesn't mop the floor every other day? Who never dusts? Who burdens you with boring confidences of what Jimmie said tonight? Who do you trust with your clothes, jewelry, temporarily unsolvable problems and most precious of all, your boy friend? Who rubs your back when your back needs rubbing? Who presses your skirt or lends you that blouse for your Sunday suit? Who never complains when you don't mop the floor? Who shares their Valentine candy with you or those cookies from home? Who is just about the sweetest person you know, who puts up with those comfortable ridiculous clothes you wear, those hair styles, and shares your colds with you? Who adds comfort to your misery when you bring in your sad story of a "D" in bacteriology, with the report of a "D" in Chemistry? Who bunks with you and lends you that shoulder to cry on when home seems so far away? Everybody knows who, your roommate, the greatest asset to a college girl's career.

What are roommates good for? Well, for one thing they take up some of the excess closet space the dormitories offer. For another, they lend you bobby pins or safety pins as the case requires. They are real nice to supply you with blind dates. The reason blind dates are called blind dates is because most usually you wish you were blind. They provide you with amusing stories to tell your friends about what a roommate you have. They are a continual source of embarrassment. You'd be embarrassed for someone, too, if while going down the hall not quite dressed, they met the plumber. You'd even feel sorry for them if they just turned in a blank wall, hoping for a door.

Honest, I keep telling you, roommates are nice to have around. When you remember you left your towel in the room when you're right in the middle of a shower, everybody knows who answers to the bloody screams of "Roommate! Roommate! Bring my towel!" When you start grabbing for the towel, soap and your eyes and tears rolling down your sudsy cheeks, and it isn't there, everybody knows who moved it just out of reach.

Roommates are the sweetest people in the world. It isn't their fault they decide to rearrange the room on your night out. It isn't their fault if you come in and crawl under the dresser scarfs on the dresser instead of the bed. It isn't their fault that they have to get up so early in the morning and that the closet door squeaks and moans with misery every time it is opened. And it really isn't her

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CAMPUS LIFE

By Bill Pinkston

The students of UTJC seem to be getting a touch of Spring Fever. It does seem to be quite early for such a feeling, especially in February. I have been observing some of the more fascinated boys and girls—especially girls—who have been taking advantage of this warm weather.

Many of the couples have been walking over the lowly campus of UTJC, making plans for future matrimonial ceremonies. The ground is still a little cool to sit on; however, some girls don't mind the cool temperature, especially when a handsome, well groomed, young lad is telling her how beautiful she is, and they do.

Considering the emotional effects that this spring weather has upon us, I wonder what will happen in another month or two when the trees begin to bud and the grass becomes green once again. Not forgetting that the young people cannot have any familiarities on the campus, but I'll bet that this place will be a lover's paradise.

You know, folks, I don't think that there has been any too many familiarities on this campus. Considering the fact that our Matrons have not been any too familiar with the environmental factors of the general social world. I think that the young folks on this campus have shown the highest type of culture from the home. Naturally some are going to be more familiar with each other because cupid has really played its part.

I have heard that this spring is going to put "that new look" to some of our girls, and I really approve of that, but on the other hand, when a certain young gentleman, whose name I couldn't afford to mention but he drives a new Chrysler from Jackson, begins to kidnap some of our prominent male students and takes them for a 150 or 200-mile ride—believe me, that's something new. In fact, that's as bad as some lad I heard of stealing another lady's chicken, on which she collected a 50c ransom. Now we have stayed all the way off the subject and will probably have the supreme authorities down on my collar, but my intentions are to offend no one and conduct a mutual friendship with everyone.

Nelson Concert Well Attended

The visit of the famed pianist, Miss Allison Nelson, to our college, February 10, was a superior honor. She had a wonderful audience. Those who were so unfortunate and did not get an opportunity to hear her missed something that we are unable to describe. She has accomplished heights that few people could ever hope to.

terribly hurt by a woman," beware, because to the trained ear this wolf call is as recognizable as The Star-Spangled Banner.

And wittingly or unwittingly, the wolf is aware of the fact that most women want to be needed. Therefore the work he is doing is never what really suits him, but with you at his side he could really accomplish great things.

When he finally slips out of your life either through an adroitly engineered quarrel or a gradual disappearance, you can console yourself that you will not be forgotten immediately—when he starts to work on your successor, you will live on as the women who "hurt" him.

When the news came that Joyce Claytor and James Shelton were elected Miss and Mr. UTJC respectively, the first thing said was, "They certainly deserved it," and indeed they did. There is no one on the campus who has not been cheered by a few words and a smile from "Preacher," or a sweet "hello" from Joyce. These two fairly radiate friendliness and personality, and it is no wonder that they were chosen for this honor.

Joyce, who hails from Dresden, is one of those rare combinations of "beauty and brains." She is majoring in Business Administration and has made the honor roll every time since coming to UTJC. Some of the honors she has received are "Sweetheart" of the Engineers Club, campus beauty from last year, and a candidate again this year. That she is active on the campus is evidenced by the fact that she is a member of the International Relations Club, Nu Kappa Nu, and is Activities Editor of the Annual. Joyce is planning to go to Knoxville from here and, although she looks like someone's secretary, she hopes to become a typing and shorthand teacher upon graduating. Let's hope her ambition is realized.

Preacher, who is a veteran of two years' service in the Army Air Corps, during which time he was on Okinawa, is certainly well known on the campus. His slow, "howdy" can be heard any time, and wherever there is a group of people gathered you'll usually find "Preacher" in the center. He is majoring in Agriculture, and plans to go to Knoxville from here, but doesn't know what he wants to do after graduation.

"Preacher," who is from Braden, Tenn., is president of the Sophomore Class, a member of the Ag. Club and the Army Club. He played tackle on the football team and has been a loyal supporter of all the basketball games. His hobby is hunting, and from the looks of things, no matter what he hunts, he has enough stamina in him to find it.

Reed Hall Downs Freeman In Battle Of Bags

Reed Hall, under the leadership of Mary Helen Bradley and Robbie McClain, demonstrated an uncanny brand of basketball when they soundly trounced Freeman Hall, 58 to 29.

Reed Hall took an early lead and was never headed. At the half the score was 41 to 13.

In the fourth period Reed put in her second team and then the fun for the spectators began. Either the girls from Freeman couldn't take a good thrashing or the Reed Hall girls' heads had begun to swell for in this period basketball was forgotten and Reed Hall seemed to feel as though it had won the game, and it must win the fight, while Freeman Hall felt as though it had lost the game, but it mustn't lose the fight. When two girls tied the ball, they began to jerk and kick like two young mules, and when the ball was thrown up the ball was forgotten and each girl tried to hit the other one in the face.

But all of this only added to the merriment of the crowd, and I really believe that the girls knew that it was entertaining and most of it was put-on. You will never make me believe that there is any hard feelings between Reed and Freeman.

Preacher: We're having a party tonight. Won't you come along?

Sue: Oh, I can't I haven't a thing to wear.

Preacher: That's all right. I'll get you a blind date.

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A UNIVERSITY AT MARTIN?

Plans are being made to build another state university in West Tennessee. Such a school is certainly needed because of the distance of the present university from this end of the state.

If this school is to be built in West Tennessee, why shouldn't it be located at Martin? We already have a branch of the university here and plans are now being made for enlarging the school. It seems that it would be easier to establish another university at Martin than to completely build another school.

This may never be done, but it is something to think about.

By David Harpole

BEHIND THE BARS AT REED AND FREEMAN

MARTHA HAYES' red-headed brother, known to us all as JIM, had to take the place of NICK for JOY KIRBY at the Valentine Dance—seems to have done a pretty good job too. . . . BILL HEFFINGTON had his little brother up for the dance, and believe it or not, he's almost as cute as our "Wild Bill"! . . . SCOTTY got a dozen red roses last weekend—but not from Carol???? . . . We just don't know how she manages, but MARION seems to have a song requested for her practically every night on the Platter Shack! . . . Ah! The influence of women! Yes, we're talking about PEGGY BEAVER, of course. . . . RICHARD'S shaved off his mustache!! . . . JANEY PORTER and BURTON were seen gazing in the show window of a baby shop over at Fulton the other Sunday night—hope to tell you, they've set the date! By the way, standing right behind JANEY and BURTON were SCRUGGS and JOAN—now don't get any ideas, yet!! . . . Does anybody know JAMES McADOO from Union City? That's who SALLY CAMPBELL dated Sunday night . . . Seen together and voted as the surprise couple of the week in Reed Hall were CECIL COLLIER and BETTY EDWARDS! . . . JEAN WILBURN'S old boy friend, RALPH PRINCE, is coming to Reed Hall pretty regularly now to see NANCY RAINEY! . . . BRADLEY and BARHAM, you certainly are a cute couple; why don't you do it more often? . . . In case you were wondering, PREACHER took JOY to the dance and they both had a simply wonderful time!! . . . FRANCINE had stars in her eyes when she came back Monday afternoon (extended weekend); 'spect she saw that man of hers. . . . IDA LOU had a fine party at her house last weekend and all in honor of RICH who was home on his first leave "WILD BILL" HEFFINGTON—tamed by the most innocent woman in East Missouri.—W. Q. Yarbrow.

Whew! What a day! Yes, that was Valentine Day, and what a time everyone had!!! MARION JETTON and ANN WHITE really thought it was a wonderful day when RAYMOND STUART and "SHORTY" CRAIN gave them those luscious boxes of candy. LOU LEWIS'S from DAVE really brought a gleam into her eyes. Can you imagine JO BENNETT'S had a picture of someone favoring PERCY YOUNG with her candy. Guess ANN FULLER rates, her gift was all the way from California, a certain BUD DAVIS seems to have her heart roped. Nothing could be sweeter than red roses, especially from a certain "GUY," says CONNIE BASS. Those were some compacts from the two JIMMIES of the Philips House to MARGUERITE DIAL and BETTY McNEIL. Instead of

MAW POTTS

DEAR MAW,

Now that snow is on the ground and it's so cold, my fella and I are having an awful time trying to smooch. In the fall the ground was warm, but now we nearly freeze to death, besides getting wet. What shall we do?

Commiel GEORGE

See Mr. Meek and find out how to fire a furnace.

MAW

DEAR MAW,

I am a disillusioned, rejected boy. Once I was the idol of the campus, but no more. Those days are gone. What have I done? My eyes are just as blue, my lashes just as long and my personality just as personal. It is only in desperation that I have turned to you, Maw.

Jimmie-Lover-boy Hayes

Maybe you haven't been saying enough "Hayes" when you meet them.

MAW

DEAR MAW,

I have a big problem. Just recently my mother bought me a beautiful new plaid taffeta petticoat. It is real full with a big ruffle around the bottom. I'm proud of it, Maw, but I can't find a way for everyone to see it. What can I do?

Sally Campbell

Sally, you shouldn't have a thing to worry about. After all, Ralph Roberts says you're always in a whirl.

MAW

say more, RUTH? RAY BLANTON, haven't you ever heard of a 50/50 deal—me-thinks GENEVA DORAN deserves one, if anyone does. What is this about ANN MITCHELL? The things you do hear! It seems that JIMMY HAYES is taking advantage of it, though. Come on, JANIE DUNAGAN; who is it going to be, JIMMY JACKSON or BILL SHANNON? That's what you call a triangle. Now we know where BONNIE MAULDIN'S heart interest lies; that was IRA HOLTON she was seen with at the Valentine Dance. The place just doesn't seem the same lately. Could it be that PETE DELOACH and MARTHA DALE just don't get around much anymore? Come on, kids, let's don't be like that.

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TRAILER CAMP NEWS

By Myrtle Hilton Pate

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This beautiful sunshiny weather is greeted with much happiness by all of the occupants of the trailer camp. The camp seems to have come alive again. Our young members really are enjoying the warmth of the sunshine. (I hope it isn't snowing when the paper is printed.) Margaret Ann Davis has enjoyed seeing the world almost for the first time. Mike Jones is really enjoying his big red wagon, especially when Lou Jones is pulling him. You had better watch out, "Shadow." Mike may take your wife when he grows up, even if her name is Jones.

Flash!!! The Flatts, the McKibbens, and the Loftons have been eating out. I wonder why? Could it be that the garbage disposal is too close to their trailers.

Did everyone get a cigar? Bob Taylor became the father of a 7½-pound boy named Robert Taylor, Jr., on February 11, at 5 a.m. Mr. Taylor and baby are both doing fine. They are at Mr. Taylor's mothers in Dyersburg now, but will be back here February 29th.

Mr. George Collins of Daytona Beach, Fla., Mrs. John R. Kindrick of Tulsa, Okla., and Mrs. James R. Holcomb of Lexington, Tenn., visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Lofton.

Mrs. Norman Jones and son, Mike, spent from Wednesday until Sunday with family in Adamsville, Tenn.

Miss Betty Hollingsworth from Chattanooga visited from Sunday until Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hollingsworth.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Lofton spent last Friday night in Tamra, Ill.

Billy Duck visited with his family in Parsons, Tenn., this past weekend. He was accompanied back to the camp by his brother whom he had not seen since January, 1943.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Godsey spent the weekend with Mr. Godsey's family in Bemis, Tenn.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Lofton entertained Billy Crockett Wednesday night with a delightful dinner.

Isaac Hilton spent last Wednesday night with the Pates.

We have a star in our midst—Lou Jones played basketball with the Martin Independents Wednesday night.

A romance is budding!!! Mike Jones is very interested in Margaret Ann Davis or is it her toys? Ronnie Graves is awfully jealous.

Among The Poker Games

Everything is pretty quiet up at the men's dorm, so I'll see what news can find.

From all reports, everyone had a good time at the Valentine dance. Nice work, Freshmen. Ira. Holton seemed to enjoy BONNIE'S company very much. Who was the cute girl you imported from Nashville, BRADLEY? REEVES enjoyed her friend she brought with her. . . . JOHNNY FLY, what about this "peace pipe" business? A new man just moved into the fold. Glad to have you, Pitt. We really enjoy our new piano. MRS. THOMAS, EZEEL and SAI WING LEE play some mighty fine music. "PREACHER," was that JOY HARPER you escorted to the dance? I wonder why TOM HAMMOND goes to Nashville every weekend. Wasn't that FERG, SALLY, ROBY, and JANE strolling by? A very common sight these days. . . . YOUNG says there's gold places other than Freeman Hall. It must be so, for his Ford is rambling most of the week. . . . GLEN COLEMAN went FISHER-ing to get his date for the Valentine dance. SEATON, when did you start going to Freeman Hall? MARTHA DALE might know. I wonder who is running BOBBY SMITH wild? I just saw him brushing his teeth with a shaving brush. . . . That's all for now. See you next issue.

Mr. Phillips: What is the most pathetic picture in the world?

Miss Cleveland: A horsefly sitting on the hood of an automobile.

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SPORTS

Boost the Vols

UTJC Beats Bethel Corporals In Thriller

Bethel Corporals came to UTJC riding a long winning streak highlighted by a win over Southwestern of Memphis, who had previously made themselves known around the college basketball circles. The Vols could boast of no such prestige, having been bestowed upon them but they proceeded to jump to a 11-2 lead in the first few minutes of the game. But by the end of the first quarter the Vols' lead had been whittled to 13-12. In the second quarter, the scoring was rather even, although fate saw it to permit Bethel to emerge with a 34-30 lead at halftime. Bethel retained their lead during the third quarter and during the first few minutes of the fourth quarter. Then the Vols started to close the gap. With about five minutes to go, Bethel pulled ahead again—it seemed that this time was for good. But Mr. Henson still had an ace of trumps, so he led it. He substituted West, on the virtue of his greater speed, for White, and thus released a very dazzling fast break. The Vols closed the gap til the score was 57-57. Then Bethel sank a free throw to pull ahead one point, but again the potent fast break spoke, and West meshed a field goal to pull ahead 59-58. The Vols froze the ball and the score ended 59 to 58. Jimmy Hayes cast 20 victory-clad votes for the Vols and was trailed by "Little" Waddy with 15 points, but they were both topped by Carter who meshed 21 points in furthering Bethel's cause. It was undoubtedly the best game seen in our gym this year and perhaps the best played by the Vols so far.

Intramural Highlights

For information, to whom it may concern, and forthwith, if you are not doing anything after 5 o'clock, and if you don't have to enclose yourself within four walls and behind closed doors to pursue your studies, you might drop over to our gym to witness athletic prowess and talent, such as you have never dreamed existed on our campus. You know, there are people who don't get a chance to try for regular teams that are pretty neat. There are basketball, ping-pong, volleyball, and handball intramurals, enabling anyone who desires to enter into competition with others.

Here is what has taken place currently:

BASKETBALL

Started January 14, the Blue team played the White team. Whites won the game 27 to 24. Good game. Joe Black was high scorer with 8 points. High scorer for the Blues was every man, for they all made 2 points each.

Next game played was January 22, when the Blacks and Reds met. Exciting and rough with the Reds winning 26 to 9. Clyde Barham was high with 12 points, leading Cooley by 4 points. Fuson led with 10 points for the Blacks.

In the game between the Green and Orange the Orange won with 19 points over the 18 for the Green.

January 26 the Yellows took one from the Browns with 3 points margin, 20 to 17. Rainwater and Thomas were high scorers in the game.

Moving on to the semi-finals, the Whites played the Blacks and won by the pathetic score of 35 to 9. Percy Young led with 9 points, followed by White and Brooks for the Whites, while Hampton led the Blacks with 2 points.

On the bottom half of the bracket came the Yellows versus the Greens. Greens topped by a score of 24 to 13. March led with 8 points and for the Yellows it was Rainwater with 12 points.

The Reds won over the Browns on February 12 and cinched a berth in the semifinals by taking it 20 to 15. Stephen led for the Reds, and Simpson for the others.

The team opposing the Reds in

Junior Vols Fall To Austin Peay

Still stinging from a defeat handed them in a previous game with Lambuth, our orange and white clad gallants of the hardwoods went to meet the Clarksville Governors of Austin Peay. Although playing a team who had beaten Southwestern and Memphis State College—clubs currently out of our class—the boys from this little ol' 2-year college gave the Governors a pretty rough time, making them employ all their skill for every basket. Our club's valuable asset, Vernon Waddy, fouled out, rendering the team a little less efficient, although being replaced by a very capable man.

Score at half-time read thus: 35 to 22, the Governors enjoying top half, and thankful for same.

Game ended at slight keel with our locals going under the mesh by 20 some odd points. To be more exact—73 to 45. Contributing more accuracy was James Nowel Hayes with eleven points. High man for the Governors was a lad named "Black-head" Stone with 21 points.

Roommate . . .

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fault if she opens the closet once for a blouse, once for a skirt, once for a coat, and twice for shoes—she's just sleepy in the morning. You couldn't say it was really her fault that there is nothing more classic at 6:45 in the morning than "Birmingham Jail"—but she leaves.

You can't deny that roommates are thoughtful. Otherwise why would they give you a birthday present two weeks early when their birthday is just a week before yours? Neither can you deny that roommates are trusting souls. Take the story the girl told about the little Ford car. It seems this little car was parked all by itself when all of a sudden it gets tired of setting and starts rolling off. These little Boy Scout people jump out of their cars and put their foot on the brake to stop the little Ford. When they do this the motor starts

the finals will be the winner of the game between the Whites and Greens. This game will be played February 19th. The winner will emerge as the top talented in basketball on the campus.

turning over, chug chug, chug. Now a good roomie always believes every story her matie tells, and this one had been doing just that until the girl said the car was rolling up hill and the reason it had started was because the starter had gotten wet and just started by itself. Can you blame her for trying to rent a straight jacket, roommate size?

All roommates are handy, but the handiest ones are the sophomore kind. Much information can be handed down, such as instructor information and valuable reference material and—er—ah—notes.

Roommates are good for lots of

things. They are good for a coke occasionally, the loan of fifty cents or so; they are good for decorating walls with souvenirs. They are good for the food their mom sends them, a bar of soap and toothpaste you don't have. But their most valuable contribution is that they make what would be unhappiness, happiness—they break the boredom of quiet hours.

Paul Williams: I've eaten meat all my life and I'm as strong as an ox!

Glen Carrol: That's funny. I've eaten fish and yet I can't swim a stroke.

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